#### **USFS Tahoe National Forest**

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the applicant's application.

If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities, Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding.

#### General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b Applicant must verify response.
- #4 Applicant must verify response.
- #5 Applicant must verify response.
- #7c It is unclear if the maps provided to the public address OHV trespass including respect for private property.
- #11a It is unclear if the free literature provided to visitors describes safe and responsible OHV Recreational practices. Additionally, it is unclear if the bulletin boards provide information concerning safe and responsible OHV Recreation.
- #12a&b— Applicant must verify responses.

Ground Operations	G13-02-20-G01

## **Project Description**

 A – Applicant must provide more detail about the remote soil moisture monitoring station, provide the need, and indicate how it will enhance and improve OHV recreation.

# **Project Cost Estimate**

- Staff "YR Asst Public Service Officer" appears to be a duplicate of "YR District Trails Manage". Applicant must clarify these two line items are not a duplicate.
- Staff "YR-TNF RC (Op+Swamper) Drainage mn)" Applicant must provide additional information about the activities this staff will perform.
- Equipment Purchases "Remote Soil Moisture Monitoring Eq" Applicant must provide additional information about this equipment and how it is related to a Ground Operations project.
- The 'Note' section for Equipment Purchases in Project Cost Summary conflicts with line items in the Project Cost Estimate.

- #4 Applicant must provide the following information:
  - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
  - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
  - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.
- #5 Applicant must list the specific project activities separately for each partner organization.
- #6 Explanation does not support the checked items "Providing an alternative..."
  and "Re-routing of trails...". It appears these items have already been completed and would not be eligible for this project.

# Development – Gold Valley Connector Trail

G13-02-20-D01

# **Project Description**

No comment.

## Project Cost Estimate

No comment.

### **Evaluation Criteria**

- #6 Narrative does not support 50% or more.
- #7 Narrative does not support 50% or more.
- #10 Applicant must provide the following information:
  - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
  - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
  - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.

# Planning – Little Truckee Summit Staging Area Expansion

G13-02-20-P01

### **Project Description**

 Applicant must ensure that the activities and/or equipment being requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to the Snow Grooming Program).

# Project Cost Estimate

No comment.

- #4 Applicant must provide the following information:
  - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
  - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
  - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.
- #5 Narrative identifies three stakeholders participating in this planning project.
- #6 Narrative does provide a detailed explanation of how each identified partner will participate in this planning project.

## Planning – Yuba Enhancement

G13-02-20-P02

# **Project Description**

 A – The statement "..and then obliterating and rehabilitating the problematic trail segments.." is an element of a Restoration Planning project. Applicant must adjust costs accordingly or move activity to a Restoration Planning project.

## Project Cost Estimate

- Staff District Ranger is an Indirect Cost.
- Contracts Applicant must provide additional information on each line item.

- #2b Narrative does not support sixth or seventh selections.
- #4 Applicant must provide the following information:
  - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
  - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
  - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.
- #6 Narrative does provide a detailed explanation of how each identified partner will participate in this planning project.

Restoration – Camp	G13-02-20-R01
Project Description	

No comment.

## **Project Cost Estimate**

- Staff Applicant must provide detailed information of duties being performed for each separate line item.
- Contracts "TNF 2015 Rest. Contr Legacy" and "TNF 2016 Rest. Contr Legacy".
  Applicant must provide detailed information of duties to be performed by contractors and how costs were determined for these line items.
- Equipment Use Expenses "Excavator Rental", Applicant must provide detailed information on how costs were determined.
- Equipment Use Expenses "TNF Mileage (RC) 4046" and "YR Specialist mileage 1933", Applicant must identify vehicle type being used.
- Equipment Purchases "Dozer ("D5" size) with Winged Ripp", cost appears excessive. Applicant must provide detailed information on how cost were determined.

- #7 Applicant must provide the following information:
  - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
  - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
  - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.